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The reply filed on 7/16/02 is not in full compliance with 37 CFR 1.121 because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): there is a series of errors and compounded errors in following New Rule 37 CFR 1.121(c). The amendment of Paper No. 13 (deposit date 6/26/02) does not mark up the claims showing all the changes from the previous version of the claims. For example, in that amendment claim 1 should show, inter alia, underlines for "An L-arginine free." This is merely exemplary of non-compliance with 37 CFR 1.121(c). Furthermore, the amendment of Paper No. 14 (deposit date 7/24/02) appears to contain, for example, a third amendment of claim 1 but states that it is only twice amended. The marked-up version shows changes not from the claim version of the immediately preceding Paper No. 13 but earlier claim versions. All this amounts to a very confusing record. Applicant should cancel all claims and resubmit all intended changes as new claims. See 37 CFR 1.121(c) and 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. **EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).**

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